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In re the Application of:

Group Art Unit: 1615

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For: IMPROVED METHOD FOR AVOIDING THE DEGRADATION OF AN  
ACTIVE PRINCIPLE

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AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed September 27,  
2001, please amend the above-identified patent application as  
follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, between lines 2 and 3, insert: --BACKGROUND OF  
THE INVENTION--.

Page 8, above line 1, insert: --SUMMARY OF THE  
INVENTION--.

Page 22, lines 25-26: BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Page 23, line 7, insert: --DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED  
EMBODIMENTS--.

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